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THIS IS A SITUATION SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHEASTERN CHINA AND ALONG THE SINO-INDIAN BORDER AS OF 22 JAN 63. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A COLLATION [REDACTED] CHINA

1. AN OPERATIONAL AIRFIELD HAS BEEN REPORTED ABOUT TWELVE MILES SOUTHEAST OF YU-SHU (3253N/9647E). THE E/W CLAY RUNWAY WAS ESTIMATED TO BE 8500 X 250 FT. NO AIRCRAFT WERE OBSERVED ON THE FIELD. NO CHANGES IN FACILITIES WERE REPORTED AT SSU-MAC AIRFIELD (2247N/10057E) OR KUN-MING AIRFIELD (2500N/10245E) SINCE LATE 1962. TWENTY-NINE JET AIRCRAFT, MIG 15 OR MIG 17 CLASS, ONE TWIN ENGINE TRANSPORT, AND ONE LIAISON TYPE AIRCRAFT WERE OBSERVED AT THE LATTER FIELD. REPORTS FROM THE CHUN-SHUI (2434N/10200E) AND MENG-HAI (2221N/10036E) AREAS DO NOT CONFIRM PREVIOUS REPORTS THAT AIRFIELDS EXIST NEAR THESE TOWNS.

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2. MORE DETAILED REPORTS FROM SSU MAO (2247N/10059E) INDICATE THAT THERE IS A TOTAL OF FOUR HUNDRED BARRACKS, TWENTY-FIVE ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS, THIRTY-FOUR LARGE WAREHOUSES, AND APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS. TWO FOUR GUN AAA POSITIONS (ONE OCCUPIED) WERE OBSERVED. NO VEHICULAR ACTIVITY. NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES WERE REPORTED IN THE KHATA BARRACKS AREA (2953N/9542E) WHICH IS CAPABLE OF HOUSING AN ESTIMATED THREE THOUSAND PERSONS. NINETEEN TRUCKS WERE SEEN PARKED IN THE SECURED BARRACKS AREA WITH GOOD FAIR-WEATHER ROADS RUNNING EAST AND WEST FROM CAMP. APPROXIMATELY TWENTY MILES SOUTHEAST OF THE KHATA BARRACKS AREA NEAR FU TZUNG (2953N/9605E) IS AN AREA CONTAINING FORTY TWO BARRACKS WHICH IS REPORTED TO BE A REFUELING DEPOT. THE AREA IS SERVED BY GOOD ROADS BUT NO STORAGE TANKS WERE SEEN. NO CHANGE HAS OCCURRED IN THE FACILITIES IN THE NING ERH BARRACKS AREA (2305N/10103E) SINCE LATE 1962. A REGIMENTAL SIZE MILITARY INSTALLATION HAS BEEN REPORTED AT NAN-NAI (2145N/10022E) CONTAINING ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE BARRACKS, THIRTY OF WHICH ARE TWO-STORY, THIRTY-FIVE MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS AND THREE SMALL ARMS RANGES. NO VEHICULAR ACTIVITY WAS NOTED. TWO MILES NORTH OF CHANGRA (3145N/9842E) IS A MILITARY BARRACKS AREA CONSISTING OF TWO AREAS. THE SOUTHEASTERN MOST AREA WHICH IS SECURED CONTAINS SEVEN BARRACKS AND FOURTEEN MISCELLANEOUS; THE OTHER AREA CONTAINS SEVEN BARRACKS AND FOUR MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS. APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE SOUTHEAST OF NING ERH IS A MILITARY BARRACKS AREA CONTAINING THIRTEEN BARRACKS AND SIX MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS. RECENT REPORTS INDICATE NO EVIDENCE OF MILITARY FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES IN THE VICINITY OF DRAYUL GOMBA (2913N/9812E) AND TWO AREAS IN VICINITY OF CHUCH LO VA (2348N/9727E) AND (2350N/9732E).

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3. [REDACTED] AT THE ANNING STEEL PLANT (2455N/10299E) INDICATE AN OPERATIONAL STATUS. NO UNUSUAL LEVEL OF ACTIVITY WAS EVIDENT AT THE TIME OF OBSERVATION. NO CHANGES WERE OBSERVED WITHIN THE CHANG TU COMPLEX (3110N/9714E) SINCE EARLY 1960. CITY APPEARS TO BE PRIMARILY RESIDENTIAL.

4. FRAGMENTARY REPORTS INDICATE A GOOD FAIR-WEATHER ROAD FROM CHANGTU (3115N/9714E) TO TOBA (3117N/9745E) AND AN UNIMPROVED ROAD LEADING WESTWARD FROM CHANGTU TOWARD YU SHU (3302N/9645E). NO VEHICULAR ACTIVITY WAS NOTED ON EITHER OF THESE TWO ROADS. SPORADIC MONITORING OF TRAFFIC ALONG THE LINA (2959N/10305E) TO YAAN (2824N/9704E) ROAD NOTED TWENTY-SEVEN TRUCKS WIDELY DISPERSED ALONG THE ROUTE BETWEEN I-TUN (2958N/9935E) AND TSO-MA-LA-TUNG (3005N/10130E). SEVENTEEN EASTBOUND TRUCKS AND FIVE WESTBOUND TRUCKS WERE NOTED BETWEEN (2959N/10305E) AND (3000N/10207E). A LARGE TRUCK CONVOY CONSISTING OF SEVENTY-EIGHT SOUTHBOUND TRUCKS WAS OBSERVED FORTY MILES WEST OF KHATA BARRACKS AREA (2958N/9542E) BETWEEN TI-MU AND TUMBATSE.

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